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E. O 11652: GDS
TAGS: AORG, PORG, UNESCO
SUBJECT: UNESCO: DG'S REPROT TO 33 UNGA (FALL, 1978)
ON MASS COMMUNICATIONS
1. DG'S DRAFT REPORT WHICH RESPONDS TO A/RES/139
(31ST UNGA, 1976) IS NEARLY COMPLETED FOR SUBMISSION TO
M'BOW. PERMDEL HOPES TO OBTAIN COPY OF DRAFT DURING
LATTER HALF OF APRIL, AND WILL POUCH TO DEPARTMENT
IMMEDIATELY. UNEDITED VERSION OF PORTION DEALING WITH
ITU (CHAPTER 3 OF REPORT) IS ALREADY IN HAND, AND
BEING POUCHED SPARATELY. KNOWLEDGE THAT PERMDEL HAS
(OR WILL) ACQUIRE REPORTS MUST BE ASSIDUOUSLY PROTECTED
UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THEY BECOME READILY AVAILABLE.

3. OUTLINE OF REPORT IS AS FOLLOWS. CHAPTER 1--
INTRODUCTION: BRIEF HISTORICAL REVIEW OF PREVIOUS CON-
SIDERATION BY UNGA, UNESCO'S 1961 REPORT TO UNGA, AND
1962 UN RES; CHAPTER 2-- SURVEY OF DEVELOPMENTS,
1962-77: TRENDS IN DEVELOPMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION
SYSTEMS IN LDC'S: INCREASE IN PRESS, FILM, RADIO, AND
TV SERVICES: ADOPTION OF NEW TECHNOLOGY: INCREASE IN
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PROFESSIONAL TRAINING FACILITIES: TRENDS IN USE OF MASS
COMMUNICATON TO PROMOTE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: MOVE
TOWARD FORMULATION OF COORDINATED NATIONAL POLICIES:
CHAPTER3-- WHAT UNESCO AND OTHERS ARE DOING: UNESCO
AND ITU ACTIVITIES WILL TAKE UP MOST OF REPORT, WITH
ABOUT A THIRD DEVOTED TO CONTRIBUTIONS BY OTHER UN
ORGANS AND NGO'S CHAPTER 4 -- AS CURRENTLY

ENVISIONED, WILL PROVIDE CONCRETE, SPECIFIC CONSULTA-

TIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO FACILITATE UNGA'S CHOICE
OF ACTION

3. DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE AWARE THAT SEVERAL THIRD
WORLD REGIONAL CAUCUSES ARE ACTIVELY INTERESTED IN
UNESCO REPORT, AND INTEND TO ENTER UN DEBATE FULLY
BRIEFED AND WITH AS UNITED AND POSITION AS POSSIBLE.
ARABS HAVE ALREADY DISCUSSED SUBJECT AT UNESCO AND
PERMDEL WAS INFORMED THAT CARIBBEAN STATES HAVE
ASSIGNED A SENIOR DIPLOMAT TO WORK ON SUBJECT FULL TIME.
GIVEN THIS MOVEMENT, IT IS EXPECTED THAT OTHER REGIONAL
GROUPS WILL BECOME FULLY INVOLVED IN EFFORTS TO
BUILD A
"UNITED FRONT" ON THIS ITEM AT 33RD UNGA.
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